

Application Serial No. 10/628,791
Reply to Office Action of August 22, 2005

PATENT
Docket: CU-5983

REMARKS

In the Office Action, dated August 22, 2005, the Examiner states that Claims 1-4 and 6-21 are pending, Claims 1, 4, 6, 8, 10, 11, and 13-21 are rejected and Claims 2, 3, 7, 9, and 12 are objected to. By the present Amendment, Applicant amends the claims 1 and 10, cancels claims 2, 12-19, and 21 and adds claims 22-37.

In the Office Action, Claims 1, 4, 6, 8, 10, 11, 13-20, and 21 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Mirick (U.S. 3,674,729) in view of Roth (U.S. 5,889,084). Claims 1, 4, 6, 8, 10, 11 and 20 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Sharma et al. (U.S. 5,480,920) in view of Roth. Claims 2-3, 7, 9 and 12 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but allowable if rewritten in independent form including all the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

The Applicant cancels Claim 2 and incorporates the allowable subject matter into independent Claim 1. Thus, the rejection to Claim 1 and the rejections to the claims that depend from independent Claim 1 are considered overcome. Moreover, the Applicant cancels Claim 12 and incorporates the allowable subject matter into independent Claim 10. Thus, the rejection to Claim 10 and the rejections to the claims that depend from independent Claim 10 are considered overcome. Likewise, new independent claim 22 incorporates allowable subject matter from claim 3, new independent claim 29 incorporates allowable subject matter from claim 7, and new independent claim incorporates allowable subject matter from claim 9, and therefore, the newly added claims should be allowable.

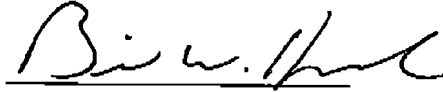
The Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 12-0400 in the amount of \$700 to cover the fee for the two excess independent claims and 6 excess total claims, and any required fees in excess of the amount submitted, or credit any overpayment.

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In light of the foregoing response, all the outstanding objections and rejections are considered overcome. Applicant respectfully submits that this application should now be in condition for allowance and respectfully requests favorable consideration.

Respectfully submitted,



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